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SUBJECT:USER CHARGES FOR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS AND FLIGHT
PROTECTION SERVICES

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1. DEPT AND FAA APPRECIATE INFORMATION IN REFTEL BUT ALSO
NEED ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TO EXTENT POSSIBLE
IN ORDER ASSESS COURSES OF ACTION AVAILABLE TO USG WITH
RESPECT TO THE NEW VENEZUELAN USER CHARGES:

A) SINCE CHARGES ARE BASED ON A 1968 PRESIDENTIAL DECREE,
HAVE THEY BEEN ASSESSED IN THE PAST OR DOES THE RESOLUTION
OF JULY 3, 1975 BELATEDLY IMPLEMENT THE 1968 DECREE?

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B) DOES THE EXEMPTION FOR STATE-OWNED AIRCRAFT APPLY TO
BOTH THE MILITARY AND CIVIL (E.G., FAA) AIRCRAFT OWNED
AND OPERATED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS?

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C) HAVE FOREIGN AIR CARRIERS, INCLUDING U.S. FLAG, OBJECTED

TO THE ONE YEAR EXEMPTION FOR VIASA, AND IF AFFIRMATIVE,
WHAT HAS BEEN RESPONSE OF VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES?

D) WHAT WAS THE RATIONALE FOR INCLUDING AIRCRAFT WEIGHT
IN THE CALCULATION OF CHARGES?

E) WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ANTICIPATED TOTAL
REVENUES FROM THE AIR NAVIGATION CHARGE AND THE TOTAL
COST OF PROVIDING AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES IN THE MAIQUETIA
FIR?

F) HOW HAVE THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE AIR NAVIGATION
SERVICES BEEN ALLOCATED AMONG VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF USERS
(AIR CARRIERS, GENERAL AVIATION AND MILITARY) AND WHAT
PORTION OF REVENUES IS ANTICIPATED TO BE GENERATED BY
EACH OF THESE USER CATEGORIES?

B) INFORMATION REQUESTED IN (E) AND (F) MAY BE DIFFICULT
TO OBTAIN BUT IT IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE IN ORDER TO ARRIVE
AT CONCLUSIONS ON SUCH MATTERS AS LEVEL OF COST RECOVERY
AND EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF COSTS.? KISSINGER

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